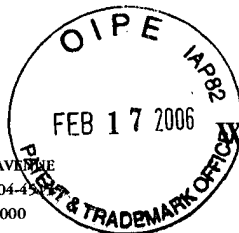


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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED AUGUST 19, 2005

Honorable Commissioner:

Enclosed please find the following:

1. Response to the Office Action dated August 19, 2005.
2. A Petition for a three-month extension of time.
3. Our check in the amount of \$510.00 to cover the fee for a three-month extension of time.
4. Our post card. Please date stamp and return.

Applicant hereby asserts that it is entitled to small entity status.

Also, please charge any unanticipated fees, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No.: 50-1479 (a duplicate copy of this charge authorization is attached).


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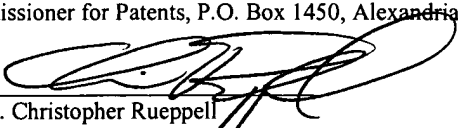
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